



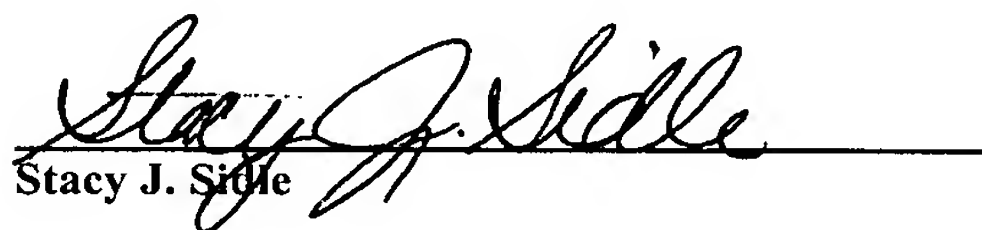
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Georges Marcel Victor Thielen )  
For: TIRE WITH COMPONENT OF )  
RUBBER COMPOSITION COMPRISED OF )  
SILICA REINFORCEMENT AND )  
EMULSION POLYMERIZATION DERIVED )  
TERPOLYMER RUBBER OF DIENE/VINYL )  
AROMATIC COMPOUND WHICH )  
CONTAINS PENDANT HYDROXYL )  
GROUPS )  
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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Official Action dated April 5, 2007, and the subsequent Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed May 4, 2007 please make the following amendments in order to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the Applicant's invention, said Amendment also incorporating the corrections as requested under the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment.